

LITIGATION SECTION GOVERNING COUNCIL MEETING
Minutes of April 16, 2010

1. Attendance:

John Zarian (Councilperson; Chairperson); Bill VanHole (Councilperson; Treasurer); Mark S. Geston (Councilperson; Secretary); Michelle Points (Councilperson; by telephone); John Goodell (Councilperson; by telephone).

Also attending CLE/Litigation Section Business Meeting: Jim Martin, Julianne Hall, Justin N. Steward, Chard Bernards, Joe Pritle, Bob Wetherell, Megan Goicoechea, Wyatt Johnson, Michelle Points, Tyler Anderson, Jamie Parkinson, Daniel Dansie (by phone), Amanda Ulrich (by phone), DeAnne Casperson (by phone), and Wendy Olson .

2. Minutes:

The Minutes of the March 19, 2010 meeting of the Section Governing Council were unanimously approved.

3. Treasurer's Report:

Bill VanHole reported that income and expenditures to date are in line with budgeting expectations.

4. Schedule of Future Section Meetings:

Speakers for the Council meetings on June 18, August 20, and September 17 have yet to be determined, and John Zarian asked for volunteers to assist in organizing future CLEs. Wendy Olson is still working on recruiting a speaker for one of the summer meetings. The July meeting will be held in Idaho Falls in conjunction with the annual Bar meeting, July 14-16, and a CLE is not planned in that connection.

5. Speakers for "Technology and the Law" CLE in Sun Valley, October 28-29:

John Zarian noted that planning is progressing for the Litigation Section sponsored Fall CLE which will be conducted in conjunction with the State Bar Intellectual Property Section. The task now is to identify speakers. John suggested that the afternoon of October 28 should be devoted to discussions of the technology, itself, to familiarize practitioners with technical issues that must be taken into account, and then move into discussions of how not technology raises legal issues and effects conduct in the courtroom the next day.

6. Charitable Contributions by the Section during 2010 FY (\$3,500 budgeted):

Discussion began with a recapitulation of Section contributions to various programs and endeavors during 2006-2009.

Jim Martin recommended a contribution to the Professionalism Section for the University of Idaho student orientation program. A motion was made to contribute \$1000 and, after discussion, unanimously approved.

Megan Goicoechea, Wendy Olson, Joe Pritle, and Jamie Parkinson volunteered to make up a committee that will make recommendations for the distribution of the \$2,300 remaining in the budget for charitable contributions.

7. Other Business and CLE:

There being no other business, the Council meeting was adjourned at 12:24 p.m., after which federal Magistrate Judge Larry Boyle presented a .05 hr. credit CLE on professionalism and courtroom conduct and demeanor, "Speak in a Conversational Tone."